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In Re Application of : January 7, 2003
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction dated October 8, 2002, Applicants submit the following Response. A Petition for Extension of Time with the requisite fee accompanies this Response.

Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 1-14 at this time. The election is made without traverse. Claims 15-20 are, therefore, withdrawn from consideration at this time, without prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,

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